

ABSTRACT

5 The invention provides an apparatus for preparing a
fluid for a medical procedure by mixing of at least one
medicament in the form of powder with water, the
medicament is held in a vessel which defines a bottom, a
side wall, and a top opening which is closed by an
membrane for sealing the inside of the vessel. The
apparatus includes an opener for opening the membrane of
10 the vessel. The opener includes a holder for vertically
holding the vessel to downwardly orient the opening; a
cutter, provided beneath the opening of the vessel held
by the holder, for partially cutting the membrane along
the periphery of the opening; a mechanism for vertically
15 moving the holder toward the cutter so that the cutting
edge of the cutter pierces to partially separate the
membrane from the periphery of the opening whereby the
medicament in the vessel falls from the vessel; a
receiving member, in the form of a mesh provided beneath
20 the cutter, for receiving all of the medicament from the
vessel; and a nozzle for directing water from the source
of water in the form of a spray to the medicament
received by the receiving member to dissolve the
medicament into the water directed to the medicament.

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